Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

1 1. (Currently Amended)   An article of manufacture for use in a data processing system for

2 installing an application program for execution on the data processing system, said article of

3 manufacture comprising a computer-readable storage medium having a computer program

4 embodied in said medium which causes the data processing system to execute the method steps

5 comprising:

6 defining a user configuration of the application program corresponding to a

7 particular user of the application program;

8 encrypting and storing the user configuration in a manifest file;

9 determining that the stored user configuration corresponds to the particular user;

10 authenticating the particular user in response to the particular user requesting the

11 application program;

12 decrypting the manifest file in response to the user authentication; and

13 building the application program pursuant to the user configuration decrypted

14 from the manifest file.

1   2. (Currently Amended)   The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the data processing

2   system is a local data processing system, and wherein the computer program embodied in said

3   medium causes the data processing system to execute the additional method steps comprising:

4   storing the user configuration on a remote server executing on a remote data

5   processing system;

6   initiating a session between the local data processing system and the remote data

7   processing system in response to the particular user requesting the local application

8   program;

9   responsive to the user authentication, downloading data from the remote data

10   processing system to the local data processing system according to the stored user

11   configuration; and

12   downloading the manifest file from the remote data processing system to the local

13   data processing system.

1   3. (Currently Amended)   The article of manufacture of claim 2 wherein the computer program

2   embodied in said medium causes the data processing system to execute the additional method

3   steps comprising:

4   authenticating the <u>particular</u> user in a second authentication responsive to the

5   <u>particular</u> user requesting a build of the application program;

6   decrypting the manifest file responsive to the second authentication; and

7   building the application program pursuant to the <u>user</u> configuration decrypted

8   from the manifest file responsive to the second authentication.

1   4. (Currently Amended)   The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the computer program

2   embodied in said medium causes the data processing system to execute the additional method

3   step comprising:

4   recording a description of ~~which~~ items <u>that</u> are being used by the <u>particular</u> user.

1   5. (Original)   The article of manufacture of claim 4 wherein the recorded description is used for

2   administering licensing of the items.

1   6. (Original)   The article of manufacture of claim 2 wherein the remote server is a web server.

7. (Currently Amended)   The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the <u>user</u> configuration

comprises data describing the <u>particular user, the particular user's application program</u> user

configuration, and resources for which the <u>particular</u> user is authorized.

1   8. (Currently Amended)   A method of installing an application program for execution on a data

2   processing system, said method comprising ~~the steps of~~:

3   defining a <u>user</u> configuration of the application program corresponding to a

4   particular user of the application program;

5   encrypting and storing the <u>user</u> configuration in a manifest file;

6   determining that the stored <u>user</u> configuration corresponds to the <u>particular</u> user;

7   authenticating the <u>particular</u> user in response to the <u>particular</u> user requesting the

8   application program;

9   decrypting the manifest file in response to the user authentication; and

10   building the application program pursuant to the <u>user</u> configuration decrypted

11   from the manifest file.

1   9. (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 8 further comprising ~~the steps of~~:

2   storing the <u>user</u> configuration on a remote server executing on a remote data

3   processing system;

4   initiating a session between the local data processing system and the remote data

5   processing system in response to the <u>particular</u> user requesting the local application

6   program;

7   responsive to the user authentication, downloading data from the remote data

8   processing system to the local data processing system according to the stored <u>user</u>

9   configuration; and

10   downloading the manifest file from the remote data processing system to the local

11   data processing system.

1   10. (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 9 further comprising ~~the steps of~~:

2   authenticating the <u>particular</u> user in a second authentication responsive to the

3   <u>particular</u> user requesting a build of the application program;

4   decrypting the manifest file responsive to the second authentication; and

5   building the application program pursuant to the <u>user</u> configuration decrypted

6   from the manifest file responsive to the second authentication.

1   11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 further comprising ~~the step of~~:

2   recording a description of ~~which~~ items <u>that</u> are being used by the <u>particular</u> user.
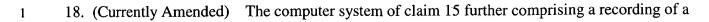
1   12. (Original) The method of claim 11 wherein the recorded description is used for

2   administering licensing of the items.

1   13. (Original) The method of claim 9 wherein the remote server is a web server.

1   14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein the <u>user</u> configuration comprises

2   data describing the <u>particular</u> user, the <u>particular</u> user's application program <u>user</u> configuration,

3   and resources for which the <u>particular</u> user is authorized.

1   15. (Currently Amended)   A computer system for installing an application program for

2   execution on a data processing system, said computer system comprising:

3   a user configuration of the application program corresponding to a particular user

4   of the application program;

5   a manifest file comprising an encrypted user configuration;

6   a determination that the stored user configuration corresponds to the particular

7   user;

8   an authentication of the particular user in response to the particular user

9   requesting the application program;

10   a decryptor for decrypting the manifest file in response to the user authentication;

11   and

12   an application program builder for building the application program pursuant to

13   the user configuration decrypted from the manifest file.

1   16. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 15 wherein the data processing

2   system is a local data processing system, said computer system further comprising:

3   a remote server executing on a remote data processing system in which the user

4   configuration is stored;

5   a session between the local data processing system and the remote data processing

6   system in response to the particular user requesting the local application program;

7   a downloader, responsive to the user authentication, for downloading data from

8   the remote data processing system to the local data processing system according to the

9   stored user configuration; and

10   a downloaded manifest file which is downloaded from the remote data processing

11   system to the local data processing system.

1   17. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 16 further comprising:

2   a second authentication of the particular user responsive to the particular user

3   requesting a build of the application program;

4   a second decryptor, responsive to the second authentication, for decrypting the

5   manifest file; and

6   an application program builder, responsive to the second authentication, for

7   building the application program pursuant to the user configuration decrypted from the

8   manifest file.

1   18. (Currently Amended)   The computer system of claim 15 further comprising a recording of a

2   description of ~~which~~ items <u>that</u> are being used by the <u>particular</u> user.

1   19. (Original)   The computer system of claim 18 wherein the recorded description is used for

2   administering licensing of the items.

1   20. (Original)   The computer system of claim 16 wherein the remote server is a web server.

1   21. (Currently Amended)   The computer system of claim 15 wherein the <u>user</u> configuration

2   comprises data describing the <u>particular</u> user, the <u>particular</u> user's application program <u>user</u>

3   configuration, and resources for which the <u>particular</u> user is authorized.